

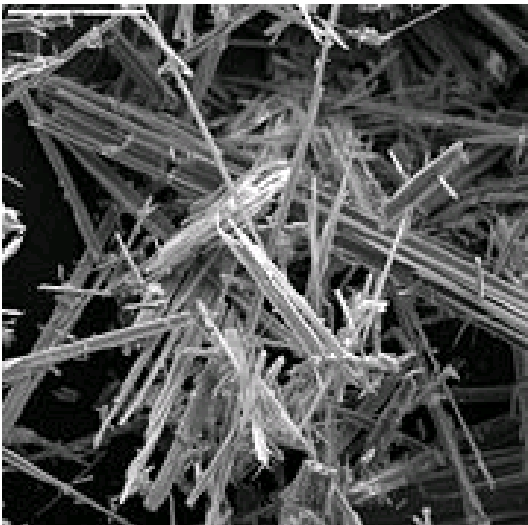


Tea Fire Debris Removal Advisory for Residents and Contractors

With the recent loss of homes in Santa Barbara, a great deal of clean-up effort has begun, with personal and environmental safety issues of utmost importance. To keep you and your family as safe as possible, please treat all remains of structures as if they contain asbestos.

Asbestos is made up of microscopic bundles of fibers that may become airborne when asbestos-containing materials are damaged or disturbed. When these fibers get into the air, they can be inhaled into the lungs where they can cause significant, long-term health problems.

Please avoid stirring up the debris whenever possible, and wear a mask when in the burn area. The City advises you to hire a professional for debris removal due to safety concerns. Do not self-haul any fire debris because the material requires special handling, and pickup trucks cannot be accommodated at the disposal site. All City-certified haulers have been advised of disposal procedures.



Microscopic asbestos

For more information on asbestos, see:

<http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/asbestos/index.html>

www.epa.gov/asbestos/